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## Work May Start Early On Highway Thru Town Bids Have Been Called

Specifications and plans for the reconstruction of the highway through the town on the main street are ready, and the state public works department has called for bids, to be opened in Boston on Tuesday, May 13. The project is, as has already been stated in the columns of the Press on routes 10 and 63, running from Pachaug hill at the northerly entrance to the Seminary campus, through Main street, to Stearns Garage, from where an additional two-tenths of a mile through the hollow at the Clapp residence will be improved. The project also includes a new bridge over the brook, just south of the Congregational church and a partial straightening of the roadway. The road will be constructed with a bituminous macadam surface. It is expected that the contractor who will be awarded the work, will begin the job immediately, and before the summer is over will have finished the same. The project will be financed under the Hayden-Cartright act with the state and federal government sharing the cost. It is said that several contractors will estimate on the job and representatives of several firms will visit here to look over the situation.

## Local Brotherhood Members Will Attend

The Franklin County Federation of Church Brotherhoods and Men's clubs will hold its spring meeting Monday at 7:30 p. m. at the First Baptist church, Greenfield. Dinner will be at 6:30 at First Baptist and Methodist churches.

Dr. Allen A. Stockdale of the National Association of Manufacturers of New York City will speak on "The future in America." G. Walter Carpenter of Greenfield, federation president, will preside.

Present indications are that the local Brotherhood of the Congregational church will be well represented. Rev. Edward Fairbank still has a number of supper tickets reserved for Northfield and they may be secured by phoning him.

## Mrs. Emma A. Nims

Mrs. Emma A. Nims, age 84, who has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Frank P. Britton on Main street, in this town for the past 18 years, died early Wednesday morning at the Farren Memorial hospital after a two weeks illness.

Mrs. Nims was born in Crown Point, N. Y., April 25, 1857, the daughter of Amos and Mary P. (Lamson) Bigelow. She was married to Kirk L. Nims, Oct. 16, 1873, and came to Northfield about 65 years ago.

Surviving is one daughter, Mrs. Frank P. Britton of this town, four grandchildren, Fred L. Nims, Barbara Nims, Marion E. Nims and Stewart E. Nims of Brattleboro; one great-granddaughter, Mary Frances Nims of Brattleboro; one brother, Forstine A. Bigelow of this town and several nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Nims was a member of the Congregational church. Funeral services will be at Kirk's funeral home here Friday at 2:30 o'clock with Rev. W. H. Giebel officiating. Burial will be in Center Cemetery.

## Congregational Church

Services Sunday and announcements for the week are as follows:

Sunday, morning worship at 11 with Rev. W. W. Coe as preacher. Sunday school at 10. Christian Endeavor at 7 in charge of a group of students from the Seminary. Young People's Forum at 7:45.

Monday evening at 7:30, important business meeting of the church to hear the report of the pulpit committee, and to transact any other business that may come before the meeting.

Wednesday there will be a meeting of the Franklin County Association at Shelburne Falls commencing at 10:30.

Wednesday there will be a sale and supper at the town hall, sponsored by the Ladies Sewing society.

Thursday, there will be an all day meeting of the Ladies Sewing society at the church. In the evening at 7:15, prayer meeting.

Friday evening at 6:30 the Evening Auxiliary will hold its annual dinner and meeting at The Sunset Inn. Rev. Ellis E. Jones will be guest speaker.

## Fortnightly Ends The Seasons Program With Annual Election

Last Friday afternoon in Alexander hall, the Fortnightly ended its years' activities, with its final program and the election of officers. It was the annual meeting when reports were rendered. The nominating committee presented the list of proposals and they were chosen by a unanimous vote. The officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Ray Thompson; first vice-president, Mrs. Paul Mayberry; second vice-president, Miss Natalie Briesmaster; recording secretary, Mrs. George W. Carr; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Dana Lewis; treasurer, Mrs. George Pefferlee; auditor, Mrs. W. P. Stanley. Elected as directors are Mrs. Ross L. Spencer, Mrs. William D. Miller and Mrs. J. Lee Bolton. To the program committee, Mrs. George Marshall, Mrs. Ernest Kirrmann and Miss Isabel Thompson. To the music committee, Mrs. Marshall Lanphear, Mrs. Laurie Harris and Mrs. William Park. A most entertaining skit was offered on the afternoon's program entitled, "A Woman's Privilege" in charge of Mrs. William Shatuck. Those who took the part were Mrs. Ross L. Spencer, Miss Barbara Harris, Mrs. Joseph Morgan, Mrs. Paul Mayberry, Mrs. Edgar Livingston, Mrs. George Carr and Miss Enid Miner. Music was by George Phelps and his sister Betty Phelps. After the meeting a food sale was conducted by the ways and means committee and generously patronized, with a profit of \$21.45.

## Back From Washington Seniors Enjoyed Trip

Yesterday (Thursday) afternoon the Seniors of the high school, arrived back in town, from their visit to the nation's capitol. It proved to be a most interesting experience in the life of the young people. Last week Friday the tour began by bus to Providence and then by boat to New York, where again busses were taken for the excursion to Washington. The return was made by the same route. Every member of the class now has his or her own fund of information of the journey and they can delight their friends with their tales. Principal and Mrs. Richard A. Cobb were in charge of the group, and the members of the class making the trip were: Florence Hale, Valentine Plotzky, Donald Newton, Evelyn Russell, Frances Eddy, Mary Eddy, June Browning, Etta Stevens, Winifred Brown, Joseph Holton, John Hammond, Beth Hammond, Ethel Tenney, Genevieve Wozniak, Robert Fuller and Robert Miller.

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Andante  
Minuetto  
Allegro Spiritoso

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## INTERMISSION

**HUMPERDINCK**—Evening Prayer and Dream Pantomime, from "Hansel and Gretel"

Evening has fallen and the two little children who are lost in the woods are thoroughly exhausted. The Sandman sprinkles sand in their eyes. They fall to their knees, recite their evening prayers and immediately fall asleep in each other's arms. Through the darkness appears a light which grows, revealing the vision of a shining golden staircase. Fourteen guardian angels descend and move in a steady circle about the children.

**DVORAK**—Symphony No. 5 in E Minor "From The New World"

Adagio; Allegro Molto  
Largo  
Allegro Con Fuoco

The New World Symphony was composed by Dvorak during the years 1892 and 1893. Although there are undeniable traces of the Czech idiom in this work, the composer said that he wrote "in the spirit of national American melodies." Because of the composer's unusual command of melody, rhythm and color this remarkable tone picture is one of the most popular symphonies played in America today.

Reservations for tickets by the public of Northfield should be made immediately by telephoning 44 or calling at the Northfield hotel. Tickets of admission are priced as per the advertisement on this page.

## Young People's Forum

Doric Alivani, tenor, director of music at Mass. State college, will sing in the Congregational church this Sunday evening at 7:45 under the sponsorship of the Young People's Forum. Mr. Alivani was very well received recently at a Fortnightly meeting. Everyone is cordially invited to be present.

## Another Child Clinic

The second clinic for immunizing children against diphtheria will be held at the town hall Saturday afternoon from 8 to 5 o'clock.

Mothers who did not bring their children for the first inoculation may bring them Saturday. Special arrangements will be made for the last or third injection.



HAROLD ALEXANDER LESLIE

## SYMPHONY PROGRAM THIS SATURDAY EVENING IN THE AUDITORIUM ON SEMINARY CAMPUS; MUSIC WILL BE BROADCAST BY STATION WHAI

The Pioneer Valley symphony orchestra, under the direction of Harold Alexander Leslie, will give its fifth concert of the season, under the sponsorship of the Northfield Schools, in the Auditorium on the Seminary campus on Saturday evening at 8:15 o'clock. Over 70 musicians will comprise the orchestra, coming from various sections of this area. The music will be broadcast over station WHAI and will reach the ears of many thousands of the listening public. It is said that groups from Eaglebrook School and Bement School at Deerfield will attend, as well as the entire student body from Stoneledge Prospect School of Greenfield. A representative group from Deerfield Academy is also expected. From Keene, Brattleboro, Greenfield and other places will come many who always enjoy the music of the "Masters." The program to be rendered will be as follows:

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## Local Women Attended The GOP County Meet When Sen. Lodge Spoke

More than 150 members of the County Women's Republican club gathered at the Weldon Hotel, last Saturday afternoon in the annual luncheon session, to meet and hear Senator Henry Cabot Lodge in an address, in which he pleaded for concerted defense work and national unity by our people. Mrs. James A. Gunn of Turners Falls as president of the club was the presiding officer, which was attended by several prominent officials of the state and of the state Republican committee. Among those from Northfield in attendance were Mrs. Ross L. Spencer, Mrs. Donald Williams and Mrs. Edward M. Morgan. In the election which followed the meeting, Mrs. Rufus Fuller of Deerfield was chosen as president; Mrs. Ira B. Wheeler of Greenfield and Mrs. Elizabeth Childs of Deerfield, vice-presidents; Mrs. Ray Blinn of Greenfield, recording secretary; Mrs. Frank Keegan of Greenfield, corresponding secretary, and Miss Helen Gerritt of Greenfield, treasurer. In the address of Senator Lodge, he said, "Our present duty is to be clear-headed. It is very dangerous to be an ostrich, but it is also very dangerous to allow ourselves to become so frightened that we become hysterical. I don't believe the men who made history on a certain 19th of April were scared to death, nor were they ostriches. Instead of dividing, questioning motives and splitting up into factions, let us unite as Americans, see the interests of Americans, see the future of Americans, and be inspired by the promise of American life to preserve this great country."

## Seminary-Hermon Sunday Speakers

Dr. Mildred A. McAfee, president of Wellesley college and a trustee of the Northfield schools, will speak at the morning worship in Sage Chapel at the Seminary on Sunday, at 11 o'clock. Several students of Mt. Holyoke college who are members of a course in worship under Prof. David E. Adams will conduct the vespers service at 5 p. m. The girls participating in the service are Patricia Best, Dorothy Adams, Northfield '38; Eleanor Parker, Northfield.



Dr. Mildred A. McAfee

Barbara Ostgren and Sally Gloman, Miss Gloman will speak on "What it Means to Grow Up" and Miss Ostgren has chosen as her subject "Facing Our World." The girls will be guests at tea at the Seminary and will remain for supper after the service.

Rev. Lester P. White, formerly chaplain at Mt. Hermon School, and now minister of the Cutchogue Methodist church at Cutchogue, L. I., will preach at both morning and vespers services at Mt. Hermon Memorial Chapel. Services are at 10:30 ad 5:30.

## Rustic Ridge Roadway Will Be Reconstructed

The Rustic Ridge association will reconstruct and permanently improve one of its roads, Rockside running north from North Lane to Willow Lane, and also on the Willow Lane hill. Rockside road is the main road that continues northward and eventually finds an outlet into the Mountain Park section and connects with Myrtle street. Thomas J. Duncan of Jamaica, N. Y., an official of the Ridge association was in town last week and awarded the contract for the work to Frank W. Anderson of Warwick avenue, who will furnish all material and labor. He will begin operations immediately and hopes to have the work completed before the active summer season opens with the Rustic Ridge residents.

## Daylight Saving Here Effective On Sunday Appreciated By All

Daylight saving is effective on Sunday, and better adjust your timepieces Saturday night, so that you will make no mistake in your appointments on Sunday. Train schedules will vary and if you are taking a train, better assure yourself of the new time of arrival and departure. The new railroad timetables will be available for distribution today and will show a change in most trains. The days will be longer under the daylight saving time and most everybody will appreciate the sunlight of longer duration, when either play or work can be extended. The only unfortunate condition to be considered is the different time adopted in slow moving communities, who still fail to appreciate the advantages of daylight saving. Now in reality the summer is here and we in Northfield will look forward with satisfaction to a promising satisfactory season.

## The Negro In America Presents Serious Situation

"The Deepest Wound in American Democracy" is the misfortune of the eight million American Negroes, said Professor Mordecai Johnson of Howard university, Washington, D. C., to the assembly of Mt. Hermon students and faculty last Saturday noon. Dr. Johnson was introduced by Dr. David R. Porter, headmaster.

The speaker went on to say that the capacity for superior work in many areas has already been proved. What has not been proved is the opportunity for the Negroes to capitalize on their abilities. Economically, politically, and educationally the Negroes conditions have not changed much in the South.

The South is still impoverished by the slave system, though slavery was overthrown 75 years ago. The so-called poor whites and the Negroes make up 8 millions in the South who live just above the existence level. The average income for the 36 millions in the South is \$310.

Politically, 75 per cent of the citizens of the Southern states have been disenfranchised. By various devices such as the "grandfather" clause, the poll tax, the Negroes and also the poor whites can not vote. There never has been democracy in the South. It is a wound that festers.

Educationally, nearly one million Negroes go to no school at all. The per capita cost for Negro public education is \$15, and it is \$45 for the whites. In some northern states it is over \$100.

A broken down economic system, a rotten political system, and a lack of adequate education make up a wound in American Democracy that may well prove fatal if it is not healed. Dr. Johnson did not blame the Southerners, but said that it was a problem for the entire nation to solve.

## Maple Sap Season Over

"When the frogs begin singing, the sugar season is over." That's an old adage. It's true this year, with a crop of sap of most excellent quality but only about two-thirds of the amount secured last year. The season at its height was from April 1-10. It is estimated that Vermont farmers will secure only about 50,000 gallons of maple syrup. It is likely that prices will be higher than last year.

Copies of the county treasurers and of the commissioners report for the year of 1940 have been circulated to all town officials and interested persons. Its study reveals that the affairs of the county are in good hands.

Notice of the Northfield highway construction, directed to contractors was published in the Boston papers on Monday of this week.

The fire department was called out Tuesday morning for a fire in the Glutney residence on Main street, which did little damage.

## Fire Permits Revoked

Forest Fire Warden Charles L. Johnson received the following notice from M. C. Hutchins, State Fire Warden of the Department of Conservation: "All permits for fires in the open are hereby revoked and there will be no more issued from April 16 to June 7 inclusive, except that permits may be issued on rainy days only."

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Greetings Pineapple Juice 2 No. 2 cans 19c

Armour's Star Corned Beef, 2 1-lb Tins 35c

Campbell's Tomato Juice 2 47-oz cans 39c

Wilson's Salad Dressing qt jar 21c

40 Fathom Codfish Cakes 2 cans 15c

Universal Peanut Butter, 16-oz Jar 12c

Del Monte Corn Niblets 12-oz can 10c

Sunny Sweet Mixed Pickles qt jar 19c

Kellogg Shredded Wheat 2 pkg 17c

Del Monte Peas, 2 Tall Cans, 25c

Treasure Tuna 2 cans 25c

Armours Pickled Pigs Feet 7-oz jar 10c

Hershey Chocolate Syrup 3 1-lb cans 25c

Belleana Pink Salmon, 2 Cans 29c

Snowcrest Fruit Syrup 16-oz bot. 17c

Campbell's Pork and Beans 4 16-oz cans 25c

Fresh Baked Graham Crackers 2-lb box 16c

Growers Special Coffee, 2 lbs. 35c

Select Evaporated Milk 4 tall cans 27c

Levering Farm Tomato Catsup 14-oz bot. 10c

Old New Hampshire Cleanser 4 cans 10c

**TOWN TOPICS**

A firm of roofers of Greenfield are making the necessary repairs to the roof of the town hall, which was in bad condition. Provision was made for the work at the annual town meeting.

Our street department has begun the work of cleaning our streets, plots and gutters. They are doing a good job and the results are apparent.

Several from this town and Mt. Hermon will attend the meeting of the Foreign Policy Association this Friday evening at the Wordon hotel. The dinner will be at 6:15 and the meeting is at 7:30 and is open to the public.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Wood of El Monte, Calif., have arrived in town at the home of their mother Mrs. Nellie M. Wood on Main St., after a journey across the continent by motor. They went to New York yesterday to take the Clipper plane for Bermuda, where their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Fornier now reside and whom they will visit. Mr. and Mrs. Fornier formerly had been resident in Jamaica.

An infant and pre-school clinic was held Thursday at the Vernon town hall. Another will be arranged later. Make appointments with Mrs. Lawrence Johnson.

This Friday evening a juvenile minstrel show will be held at the Vernon town hall with 54 children taking part.

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Joseph Weston of Belleville, N.J., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. R. B. Holton.

Miss Eleanor Barnes is with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brumh of Medford for a weeks vacation.

The bodies of Charles R. Davis and his sister Mrs. Alice Brooks who died at Seattle, Wash., some time ago were brought here for burial in the Tyler cemetery this week.

Mayflowers are already in blossom and about portions of our woods and several groups have been successful in getting some. Just a word of caution, however, to those who pick them, get permission.

Several local motorists have been stopped during the past week by state inspectors, who told them to get their inspection tags with out delay if they wanted to stay on the highways.

Mr. and Mrs. Ambert G. Moody who have sojourned during the winter season at Daytona Beach, Fla., are on their way to Northfield, but will visit with Mr. and Mrs. George W. Loom at Princeton, N.J., for a few weeks.

Mrs. William J. McRoberts, who has spent the winter at New Smyrna Beach, Fla., is leaving there today for her home in Brooklyn. She expects to arrive at her summer home within a few weeks.

Dr. and Mrs. Allen H. Wright are taking two weeks vacation with their car. They left Monday last week and visited at Syracuse, N.Y., and Rochester, N.Y., after which they went to Atlantic City to enjoy the seashore. They are expected to return to their home tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Curry of Frost, W. Va., were in town last weekend to visit her parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Ross of Glenwood avenue.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Given of Ashuelot road last Friday, at the Brattleboro Memorial hospital.

Mrs. Grace C. Cornell of Winchester read spent the winter at Lynn Haven, Fla., but is now on her way north and will stop enroute to visit friends at various places. She expects to arrive here within another week.

The public schools of this town will reopen next Monday after the usual spring vacation of one week.

The Warwick tax rate as announced by their assessors last week is down this year \$4 to \$32. It will be the lowest rate for many years.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore F. Darby of Windsor, Vt., were guests over the past weekend of Mr. and Mrs. George Pefferlee.

The next meeting of the Franklin county federation of Congregational churches and ministers will be held in Shelburne Falls Friday, May 30.

The Congregational church of Sunderland has extended an invitation to Henry John Ronne to become pastor in July. He is a divinity student at Yale and will be graduated in June.

Friends have received cards from Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hyde who left his home in Tennessee and are now on their way to Atlantic City for a short stay before arriving at their home here.

Miss Evelyn Lawley, high school teacher, joined with her mother in a visit to her brother at Goffstown, N.H., during the school vacation.

Rev. and Mrs. Albert Reining and family of Dallas, Pa., were visitors last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alton J. Miner.

**West Northfield and South Vernon**

South Vernon church—Services Sunday, daylight saving time. Morning worship at 10:30 with sermon by the pastor; Sunday school at 11:45; Loyal Workers at 6:30, Miss Elsie Tenney, editor; at 7:30, Senior Mission society will hold a missionary service with participants wearing foreign costumes. Thursday evening at 7 at Vernon Home, prayer meeting.

Mrs. George E. Tyler who spent the winter at Cortland, N.Y., has returned home. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Tyler brought her automobile and they then returned to their home.

Alonzo Wheeler's daughter from Millers Falls has come to keep house for her father.

Donald Smith and daughter are visiting Mr. Smith at Windham.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Rich have been on a motor trip to Portsmouth, N.H., and other nearby places.

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At the card party at the Pond school last week Thursday, the prizes were won by Ernestine Blodgett and Dwight Johnson. Door prize went to Robert Allen. Refreshments were served.

Perry Dawley of Wharton, N.J., spent last week with his sister, Mrs. H. E. Lane.

Mrs. W. B. Churchill and daughter spent last weekend with her father at his home in Greenfield.

Visitor: Is this the weather bureau?

Attendant: Yes, sir.

Visitor: How about a shower tonight?

Attendant: It's all right with me. Take one if you need it.

Jones: I must find another tailor. This one reads too much.

Smith: Reads too much?

Jones: Yes. Every letter he writes to me begins, "On going through my books!"

Nit: So your daughter is about to marry. Do you really feel she is ready for the battle of life?

Wit: She should be. She's been in four engagements already.

Rex: Alexander Stewart and family of Gardner spent a portion of last week at their cottage on Birnam road near Warwick Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Gingras and family moved into the Asken house on Wanamaker road this week, where they will reside.

She: Thanks for the hug.

He: The pressure was mine.

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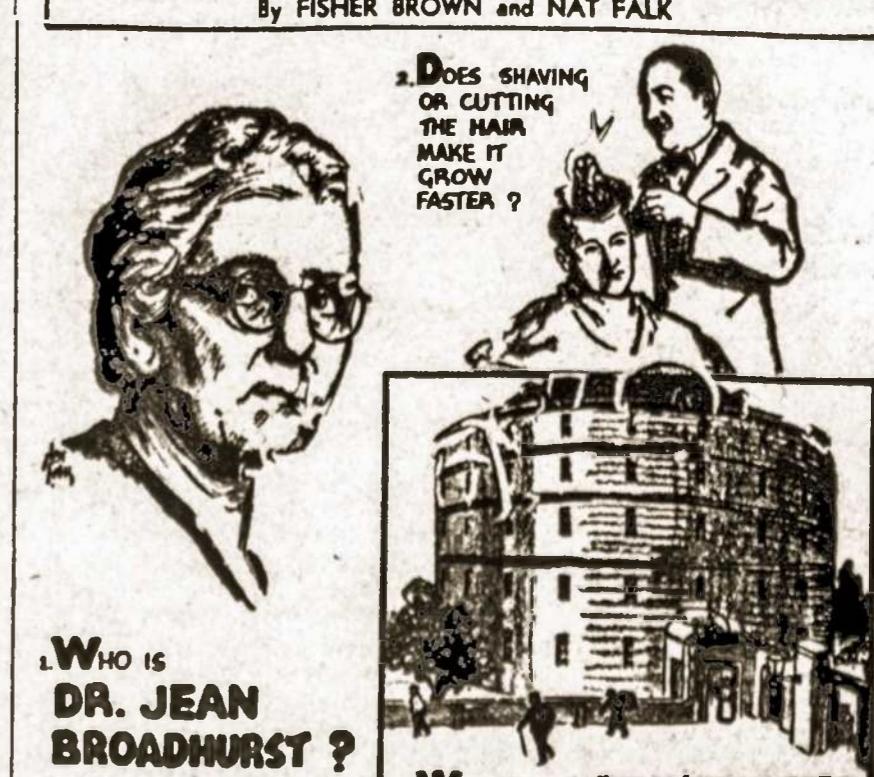
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**TOWN TOPICS****THE FOX AND THE GRAPES****What Do You Know About Health?**

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## THE NORTHLAND PRESS

**RECAPITULATION**

Statement of Receipts and Expenditures of the County of Franklin for the year ending December 31, 1940

RECEIPTS:	\$ 40,789.42	\$ 40,789.42
Cash on hand January 1, 1940	\$ 40,789.42	\$ 40,789.42
County Tax for 1940	187,185.00	
Temporary Loans	100,000.00	
Fines, Jail	84.00	
Fees, Inferior Courts	6,826.94	
Fees, Clerk of Courts	675.85	
Fees, Clerk of Courts, Naturalization	274.00	
Fees, Register of Deeds	6,497.08	
Fees, Assistant Recorder, Land Court	14.00	
Master of Jail and House of Correction	1,005.84	
Highways and Bridges	850.00	
Peddler's License	275.00	
Dog Licenses and Fines	10,182.80	
Miscellaneous	932.00	
Total Receipts		285,682.00
EXPENDITURES:		\$326,472.02
Interest	\$ 6,682.82	
Reduction of County Debt	21,500.00	
Anticipation Loan	100,000.00	
Salaries of County Officers and Assistants	18,620.00	
Clerical Assistants in County Offices	6,850.00	
Salaries and Expense of District Court	10,301.45	
Care and Support of Prisoners in Jail and House of Correction, including Salaries	20,182.11	
Criminal Costs in Superior Court	10,042.22	
Civil Expense in Superior, Naturalization and Probate Courts	6,829.49	
Traveling Expenses of County Commissioners	163.62	
Medical Examiners and Inquest, Insane	1,858.77	
Auditors, Masters and Referees	1,015.00	
Repairing, Furnishing, Etc., in County Buildings	1,646.60	
Care, Fuel, Lights, Supplies, Etc., in County Buildings	11,914.42	
Highways, Bridges and Land Damages	18,482.79	
Examination of Dams	478.22	
Law Library	2,790.92	
County Aid to Agriculture	9,482.32	
Hampshire County Sanatorium	5,844.34	
Greenfield Health Camp	2,000.00	
Mt. Sugar Loaf Reservation	1,824.62	
Pensions	1,740.00	
Miscellaneous	1,582.62	
Unpaid Bills of Previous Years	187.17	
Dog Damages, Dog Officer and Refund	10,182.80	
County of Franklin Retirement System	5,000.00	288,981.81
Balance in Treasury, Dec. 31, 1940		37,490.21
Total Expenditures		\$326,472.02

**FUNDED DEBT**

Franklin County Court House Loan, Chapter 449, Acts of 1931, \$170,000.00. Date of Issue, November 1, 1931

Payments as follows:

\$20,000.00 on November first of the year 1941.

Rate of Interest, 4 1/4%.

\$15,000.00 on November first of each year from 1942 to 1946 inclusive.

Rate of Interest, 4 1/4%.

\$15,000.00 on November first of each year from 1947 to 1951 inclusive.

Rate of Interest, 4 1/4%.

Court House Funding Loan, Chapter 182, Acts of 1933, \$15,000.00. Date of Issue, July 1, 1933

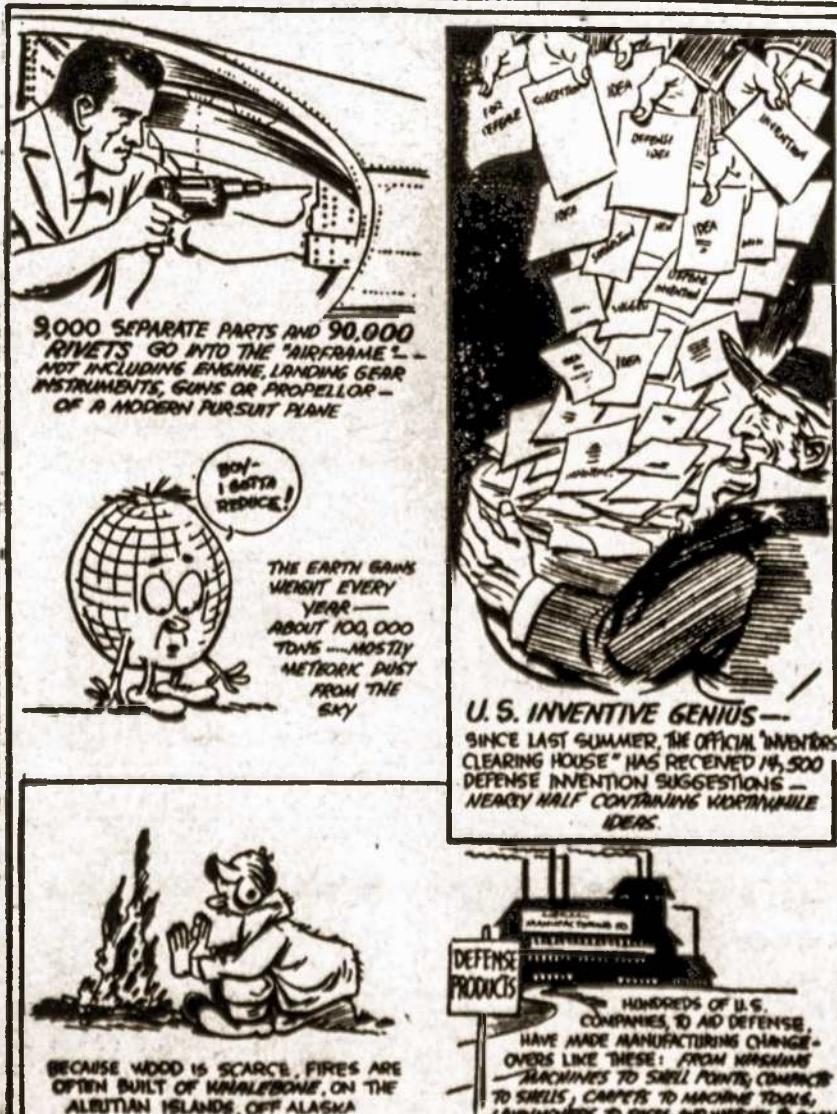
Payment as follows:

\$5,000.00 on July first of each year from 1941 to 1943 inclusive.

Rate of Interest, 3 1/4%.

WM. J. NEWCOMB,  
County Treasurer

<b>LIABILITIES FOR FRANKLIN COUNTY</b>	
Bond Issue, Franklin County Court House	\$170,000.00
Bond Issue, Court House Funding Loan	15,000.00
Total Liabilities	\$185,000.00
Cash on hand December 31, 1940	37,490.21
Net Liabilities	\$147,509.79
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Gov. Robert O. Blood of New Hampshire has submitted to the legislature of that state a six-year public works program based on past experience and probable future needs. The budget calls for separation of capital and operating expenditures. This will enable New Hampshire to estimate its income and wisely govern the expenditures of the revenue from taxation over a period of years.

Victor M. Cutter, chairman of the New England region of the National Resources Planning Board, states that New Hampshire is the first state in New England and, so far as is known, in the country, to adopt this wise procedure for the future.

H. E. Sargent, Commissioner of Highways in Vermont, has just published a ten-year program for highway construction in the state covering the highways which will be needed, and indicating which are most important and will be needed first. Mr. Cutter states that this makes Vermont the first state in New England, and probably in the country, to complete a definite program for a period of years covering its highway needs.

The governors and highway commissioners of the other New England states are considering similar programs. New England is preparing in an intelligent way for the post-defense period and for close budgetary control of its tax money.

A guide escorting a group of women through a canning factory indicated a girl worker, and said: "She puts the pork in the beans." "Where is the girl who takes it out?" asked one of the group.

**TOWN TOPICS**

Dr. and Mrs. Robert McCasline are greeting their many friends. They returned Tuesday to their home after spending the winter vacation in Florida.

Mrs. H. P. Randolph has returned and reopened her home on Main street, after spending the winter with her daughter in Montpelier, Vt., and her son and family in Flint, Mich.

Sunset Farm at Northfield Farms on Route 6A with Mrs. Charles E. Leach as hostess, will reopen for the season next Sunday.

May 5 will mark the observance of Rural Mail Box Week by the post office department and our local postmasters exhort all those using mail boxes in the rural service, to see that they are properly maintained and kept in good condition.

The American Legion drum corps of Millers Falls will hold a dance in the town hall Saturday evening with music by the Polish Cavaliers orchestra.

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The marriage is announced of Miss Grace Hastings, daughter of Herbert B. Hastings and the late Grace M. Hastings of Gill and Hubert Holloway, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Holloway of this town, on Thursday, April 10 in Bernardston by Rev. A. J. Truesell. Mr. Holloway is employed at the paper mill in Ashfield and they will reside in Northfield.

Norman Miller, who is located at Waterville, N. Y. was at the home of his mother Mrs. Harilla Miller on Winchester road over last weekend.

The executive committee of the County Chapter of the Red Cross held an important meeting in Greenfield on Thursday morning.

Dr. Richard G. Nelson was in attendance at the sessions of Massachusetts State Dental meeting in Boston last week.

Mrs. Caroline Malton is spending a short time in town to visit her friends before spending the summer elsewhere.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Clapp of Webster spent last weekend at the home of their father L. O. Clapp.

Linville W. Robbins, Superintendent of Schools was at the Bridgewater State Teachers college last week attending a conference.

Dr. David R. Porter of Mt. Hermon will be the principal speaker at alumni dinners in Rochester and Syracuse, N. Y. next Monday and Tuesday.

Rehearsals for Tree Day at Northfield Seminary will begin on Monday, April 28. This annual spring pageant will take place on Saturday, May 10.

Rev. William E. Park, will preach at vespers service in the chapel of the Riverside church in New York on Sunday afternoon at 5 o'clock. The service is sponsored by the New York-Northfield club and over 150 alumnae living in the vicinity are planning to attend.

The county branch of the American Association of University Women will gather at the home of Miss Mira B. Wilson on the Seminary campus for their annual meeting. President Roswell G. Ham of Mt. Holyoke college will be a guest speaker.

Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed was a guest at the dinner meeting of the 15th district Women's club federation executive committee at the Weldon hotel this week, which arranged for the meeting of the Presidents club at the Turners Falls high school on May 2nd.

The local bowling team have slipped. From first to third place in the county league is a calamity.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed were in Boston Wednesday, and they returned with Mr. and Mrs. E. Merrill Myrick of Tiguish, Prince Edward Island, relatives, who will visit at their home this week.

The county league of Sportsmen's club will meet in annual meeting next Tuesday evening at the Mansion House in Greenfield.

The annual meeting of the parish of the Unitarian church will be held Monday evening in the vestry of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Thompson of Northfield Farms have announced the engagement of their daughter, Esther, to Ernest Modern of New York.

William T. Coughlin of Brattleboro, a former resident of this town, died at the Brattleboro Memorial hospital Tuesday, following an illness of three years. He was 50 years of age, the son of Terrance and Bridge (McNamara) Coughlin and was born in Northfield, Dec. 8, 1890. Surviving are his wife and six sons. Funeral services were in St. Michael's church in Brattleboro with requiem high mass and burial in St. Mary's cemetery, Northfield.

The next meeting of the Unitarian Women's Alliance will be a consideration of its work and will be addressed by Rev. R. H. Parker on Tuesday afternoon, May 6. Mrs. F. W. Williams will be hostess.

Ask \$20,000 For Crash

Four civil actions totalling \$20,000 were filed in superior court last week by Andrew Biley of this town and three other passengers in his car, at the time of a collision on the old Turners Falls road, Nov. 2, 1940, against Donald Lewis of Wendell. Lewis is charged with negligent operation, who has filed denials and claims the Biley car was a trespasser on the highway. The four plaintiffs lost time and seek recompense for medical expenses and personal damages.

**Injured In Collision**

Chester Scoble of Northfield Farms was taken to the Franklin county hospital, suffering from injuries, as the result of his car striking a pole on Deerfield street in Greenfield on Sunday evening. It was said that he was alone in the car and driving north, and that his car struck the pole head on, breaking it off and badly damaging his automobile. Greenfield police investigated.

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Friday, April 26, 1941

## EDITORIAL

## WAR PROBLEMS

The world is at war and speculation is rife. The Balkans have produced the expected results and the allies have again trampled upon the liberties and freedom of independent peoples. Results show what a savage and brutal master can do when permitted to lead his hordes unbridled. What will Hitler do next? We know what he would like to do toward us and you can be assured he will do something, and anything that is within the range of a possibility. Will America find itself trembling in fear as other nations have feared and fallen, or will we rise in united action and decide that we shall do something for ourselves and for all the other people who have been submerged? America must act, convoy, protect and defend, and if necessary fight, with the spirit of Nathan Hale, who said, he was sorry he hadn't more than one life to give for America.

## REDUCED TAXES

About the most pleasant thing that our citizens can hear about these days is the cut in tax rates, that are being announced by the assessors of many of our communities. Commissioner Long has stated that of the 38 towns to report, 21 have reduced their rate below the 1940 level, four renewed their rate and only 13 have increased. In Franklin county new record lows are reported from the various communities and Deefield has just announced that its rate will be the lowest in ten years, \$21.90. We shall all anxiously await the report of our local assessors and most of us will be disappointed if the Northfield tax rate does not evidence a drop, despite some increase in expenditures at the last annual town meeting.

## The Back Yard Gardener

By G. O. Olson

Hillsides afame with azaleas. I know most of you folks have heard that descriptive phrase, and I know those of you who have seen azaleas agree that there is nothing much more impressive than a hillside which is afame with azaleas.

I received a leaflet the other day that gave a very excellent discussion on planting and caring for these beautiful plants, so thought I'd pass along the ideas to you—that is, if I can summarize a bulletin.

In selecting a site for azaleas the recommendation is to keep them out of the wind. This applies not only to winter winds, but also to summer winds. Winds at blooming time cut down the display of flowers.

Most folks think that azaleas must have shade, but with few exceptions they are sun-loving plants. They will endure some shade, but it shouldn't be too dense. Even though they like sun they shouldn't be in hot sunny locations. Nor should they be close to trees which have surface roots such as the maples and the elms.

So far as soil is concerned, it should be sandy in nature, but

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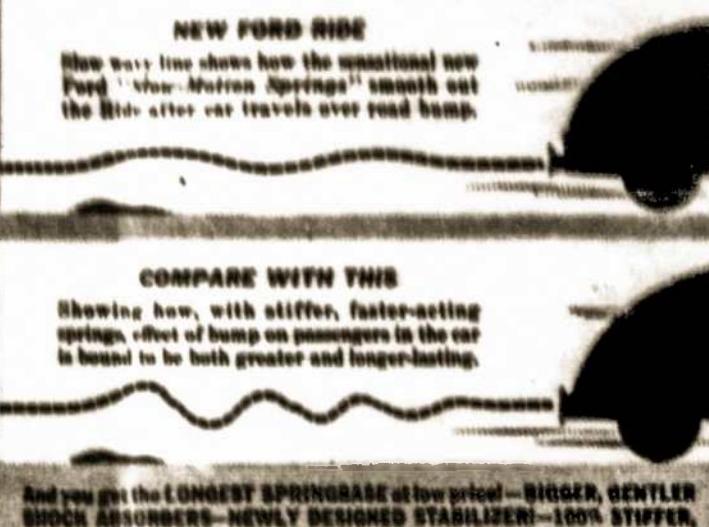
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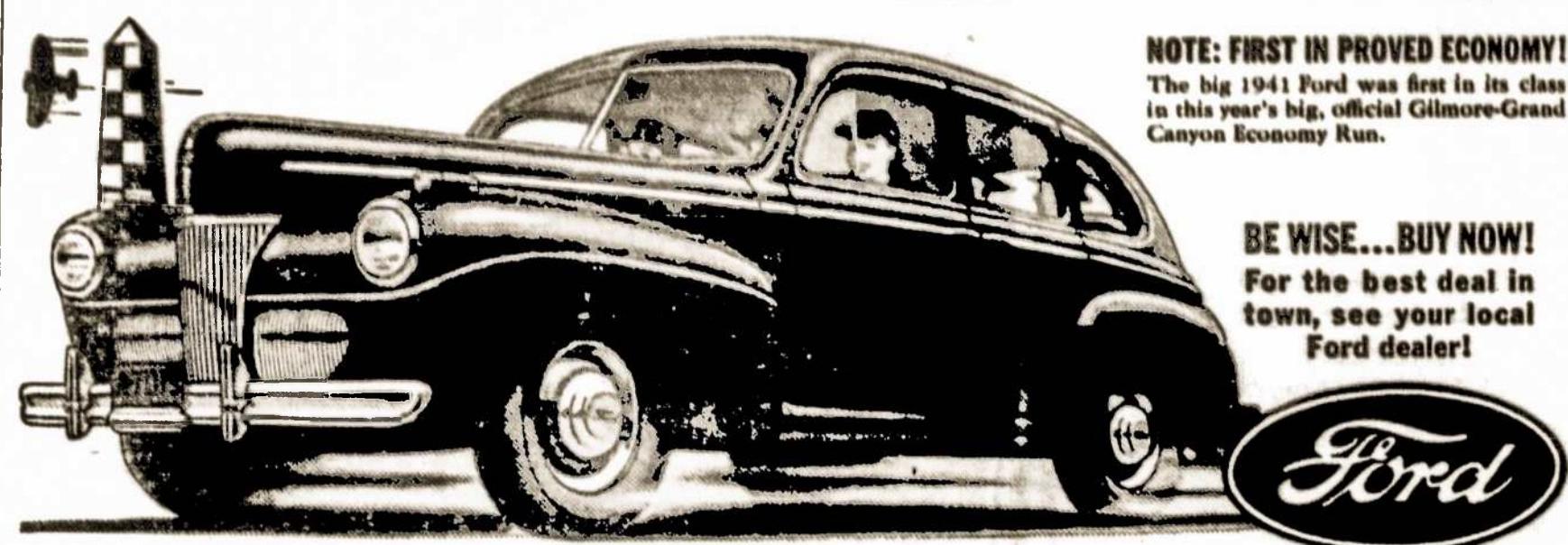


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not too sandy. If necessary add sand. If necessary add some clay. They like an acid soil—so use plenty of acid organic matter such as oak leaves, peat, sawdust, etc. And for most varieties be sure that drainage is adequate.

Azaleas have a very compact root system and are comparatively easy to transplant, but this doesn't mean that you should handle them carelessly. Set the plants in your prepared seed bed to the same depth as which they grew in the nursery. This is quite important; most folks plant them too deeply. Be sure to keep them well watered immediately after setting and until the plants are well established.

Because they are shallow rooted, never cultivate azaleas. By so doing you destroy the fibrous roots near the surface. Also remember that weeds should be kept out of an azalea bed. Pull them out by hand rather than with a hoe. Of course the best way to keep weeds out and conserve moisture—in other words, omit any cultivating—is to apply a mulch soon after the plants have been set. A two-inch layer of peat moss not only conserves moisture and keeps down weeds, but it is

acid in its reaction. Pine sawdust and oak leaves also make satisfactory mulches for these beautiful plants.

When your azaleas have a deep rich green color you know they're doing pretty well, but if they begin to show off color in the leaves they need fertilizer. A mixture which analyzes about 4-6-8 and has an acid reaction is recommended, although cottonseed meal makes an excellent fertilizer for azaleas. The recommendation is that they should be fertilized twice a year; early spring and July 1. Two pounds to a thousand square feet is the usual rate. Well rotted cow manure, 1 bushel per square yard, gives good results, but should have two ounces of aluminum sulphate added to give acid reaction.

Also remember that azaleas develop flower buds for the next season during the summer and autumn and for that reason need to have plenty of water during that period. If necessary it means

turning the hose on and thoroughly soaking the ground.

Pruning varies with the particular varieties, so I think the best recommendation is for you to visit your nurseryman and let him tell you as to pruning and what varieties are hardy in this section of the country. Naturally he won't be selling non-hardy varieties unless you want something for the house. Anyway he can be of help to you in telling you how to take care of many problems.

### Know Massachusetts by State Planning Board

Do you know that a year ago, when the census was taken, 1,537,383 persons were employed in Massachusetts in addition to 100,528 in public emergency work, mostly relief, and 205,713 who were seeking work? The Department of Public Welfare in Boston during 1940, distributed \$13,601,942 for relief, of which \$3,016,923 was for aid to dependent children \$5,116,360 was for general relief and \$5,468,649 was for old age assistance. . . . The cost of living in Massachusetts in March this year averaged less than 1 per cent above March 1940. Food was up 3.2 per cent clothing up 1.8, fuel and light down 5.7, while shelter and sundries showed no change. . . . The retail census 1939, showed Boston with largest retail sales per capita of any United States city having more than 500,000 inhabitants.

Marriages in the city of Boston are running about 35 per cent ahead of 1940. . . . It is expected that 16,000 telephones will be placed in service in Metropolitan

Boston alone, this year, due primarily to national defense effort.

New orders received by Massachusetts factories this year are running more than half again as large as a year ago. . . . It is estimated that the annual buying power of people in Massachusetts amounts to about \$2,974 per family, making this the fourth highest state in the Union. . . . A new zoning amendment recently adopted in Brookline requires all multi-family dwellings that are built in the future to furnish sufficient off-street parking space to accommodate one car for each tenant family.

### Family Grace

I remember to this day the grace my father said at meals: "Accept our thanks For food and lodging, Lord, and bless each one. Who does partake of it?" His voice was low, but clearly heard by every child whose head Was bowed in patient waiting, more, I think Than reverence. Not once did it occur

To us to disobey his spoken will. I doubt if we experienced gratitude, In those first youthful years, for daily fare.

We took such things for granted but we sensed His faith and confidence and felt secure Within our family circle, and today Each one still worships in some humble way. —B. B. Cooper In Christian Science Monitor

Rastus: Wanna buy a mule, Sam?

Sam: Wot ails da mule?

Rastus: Nothin'.

Sam: Den wot yo' want to sell him for?

Rastus: Nothin'.

Sam: I'll take him.

Pat: Old pal, I pity you.

Mike: Why?

Pat: I bought my wife a new coat and she's gone over to show it to your wife.

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